

# David Petraeus

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**Reporters Characterized An Op-Ed Written By Petraeus As A "Sort Of Open Appeal To Donald Trump To Stop That Kind Of Rhetoric."** (CNN s "CNN Newsroom," 5/26/16)

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**The FBI Investigated Petraeus To Determine Whether He Had Passed Classified Information To His Biographer And Mistress Paula Broadwell, And Recommended Charges When It Was Determined That He Had Provided Her With "Black Notebooks That Contained Sensitive Information About Official Meetings, War Strategy And Intelligence Capabilities, As Well As The Names Of Covert Officers."** (Michael S. Schmidt And Matt Apuzzo, "Petraeus Receives Probation for Giving Information to Lover," [The New York Times](#) 4/24/16)

- **In 2015, David Petraeus Pled Guilty To A Misdemeanor Count Of Unauthorized Removal And Retention Of Classified Information For Which He Paid \$100,000 Fine And Was Given 2 Years Probation.** (Michael Gordon, "David Petraeus Pleads Guilty, But Investigation Remains Open," [Lexington Herald Leader](#), 4/23/15)

**Petraeus' Service As Commander Of The Multi-National Security Transition Command Resulted In "The Project At Best [Remained] An Imperiled Work In Progress, With Alarming Signs Of Sectarian Fractures Spreading Through The Iraqi Security Institutions."** (Rick Atkinson, "Iraq Will Be Petraeus s Knot To Untie," [The Washington Post](#) 1/7/07)

**CNN's Gloria Borger Said That Petraeus' Engagement In A National Security Summit With Hillary Clinton Was "Not An Endorsement But [Was] Just Short Of It."** (CNN's "The Lead With Jake Tapper," 9/9/16)

**Petraeus Said Of Hillary Clinton "She'd Make A Tremendous President."** (David Jackson, "Petraeus Clinton Would Be 'Tremendous President,'" [USA Today](#) 2/10/14)

**Petraeus Hired Lawyer David E. Kendall To Handle His Criminal Case.** (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, "After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight," [The New York Times](#), 2/27/15)

- **Kendall Has Served As The Clinton's Personal Lawyer For Over 20 Years, Most Recently Advising Hillary In The Email Scandal.** (Peter Baker, "From Whitewater To Email The Clinton's Dogged Lawyer," [The New York Times](#), 8/23/15)

**"At Least Five Republican Lawmakers On The House Intelligence Committee Suggested Former CIA Director David Petraeus Provided Bad Information, Or Even Misled Them, After The 2012 Benghazi Attack."** (Catherine Herridge, "GOP Lawmakers Highly Critical Of Petraeus Benghazi Explanation, Testimony Shows," [FOX News](#) 12/5/14)

**Petraeus Endorsed The Iran Nuclear Deal "Just Weeks Before A Congressional Vote."** (MSNBC's "The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell," 8/26/15)

- **In An Op-Ed, Petraeus Said That The Iran Nuclear Deal Had "Benefits" And That "If Congress Blocks The Deal, A Better One [Will Not] Be Negotiated."** (Dennis Ross And David H. Petraeus, "How To Put Some Teeth Into The Nuclear Deal With Iran," [The Washington Post](#), 8/25/15)

**Petraeus Backed A Bill Blocking People On The No Fly List From Buying Guns And Expanding Background Checks.** (NBC News "Today Show," 6/24/16)

**Petraeus Is Opposed To Torture.** (Fred Kaplan, "The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus," [Slate](#), 6/21/16)

**Petraeus Also Asserts That "The United States, Together With Its Numerous Coalition Partners, Will Have Considerable Influence Over The Resolution Of Issues" After The Islamic State Is Defeated.** (David Petraeus, "David Petraeus Op Ed The Main Challenge In Mosul Won't Be To Defeat ISIS. It Will Be What Comes After." [Chicago Tribune](#), 8/15/16)

**When Asked If The U.S. Is In Danger Of A Conflict With Russia, Petraeus Answered That There Needed To Be A "Degree Of Firmness" Toward Putin That NATO Was Already Furthering Through Positioning Forces In The Baltic States And Eastern Poland.** (ABC's "This Week," 10/16/16)

**Petraeus Was A Chair That Produced A Report That Advocated For An Expansion Of TTIP And The Free Movement Of Goods Throughout North America.** ("Task Force Report," [Council On Foreign Relations](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

**A Council On Foreign Relations Report That Petraeus Co-Chaired Called For Comprehensive Immigration Reform.** ("Task Force Report," [Council On Foreign Relations](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

**In June 2015 Petraeus Wrote An Article That Advocated To "Pass Comprehensive Immigration Reform To Dramatically Expand The Quantity Of H1B Visas."** (David Petraeus And Paras Bhayani, "An Agenda Of Prosperity For America," [CNN](#) 6/25/15)

**Petraeus Asserted That He Was "Very Very Supportive" Of TPP And Called It An Economic And National Security "Imperative."** ("Petraeus on Politics And Free Trade | Wall Street Week | Episode 9," [Youtube](#) 6/16/15)

**Petraeus Called An End To The Export-Import Bank "Economic Unilateral Disarmament."** ("Petraeus on Politics And Free Trade | Wall Street Week | Episode 9," [Youtube](#), 6/16/15)

**Petraeus Said His Role At KKR Is "Like Being Director Of The C.I.A. For A Global Financial Firm, With A Lot Smaller Staff."** (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, "After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight," [The New York Times](#) 2/27/15)

- **According To Its Website KKR Has 14 Firms In Its Portfolio That Are Headquartered In China (Asia Dairy, CITIC Envirotech Ltd, COFCO Meat, China International Capital**

Corporation Limited, China Outfitters Holdings Limited, Emerald Media, Novo Holdco Limited, Qingdao Haier, Rundong Automobile Group, Sunner Development, Uxin, VATS Liquor Chain Store Management Co Ltd, Vanke Wuhan Optics Valley, And Yuehai Feed Group Co. Ltd.) ("KKR Portfolio," [KKR](#) Accessed 11/28/16)

- **KKR's Clients Also Include Defense Firms Like TASC And Airbus Group's Defense Electronics Business.** (Nick Turse, "The Charmed Life Of David Petraeus," [The Huffington Post](#) 7/5/16)

**Veterans Coalition For Common Sense Was Cofounded By General Petraeus And Is A Subsidiary Organization Of Former Congresswoman Gabrielle Gifford's' Americans For Responsible Solutions, "Which Campaigns For More Widespread Background Checks And Other Common-Sense Gun Laws."** (Tim Steller, "Mass Shooting Survivors Become Potent Faction," [Arizona Daily Star](#) 6/15/16)

## BACKGROUND

### *Personal Information*

David Howell Petraeus

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### Education:

Princeton's Woodrow Wilson School Of Public And International Affairs

Princeton, NJ, 08544 ([Princeton University](#) 3/13/14)

The United States Military Academy

West Point, NY 10996 ([Wikipedia](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### *Work Experience*

**June 2013-Present:** KKR Partner And Chairman

**September 2011-November 2012:** CIA Director

**June 1974-August 2011:** US Army Lieutenant-General ([LinkedIn](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### *Political Affiliation*

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### *Political Contributions*

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### Lobbying:

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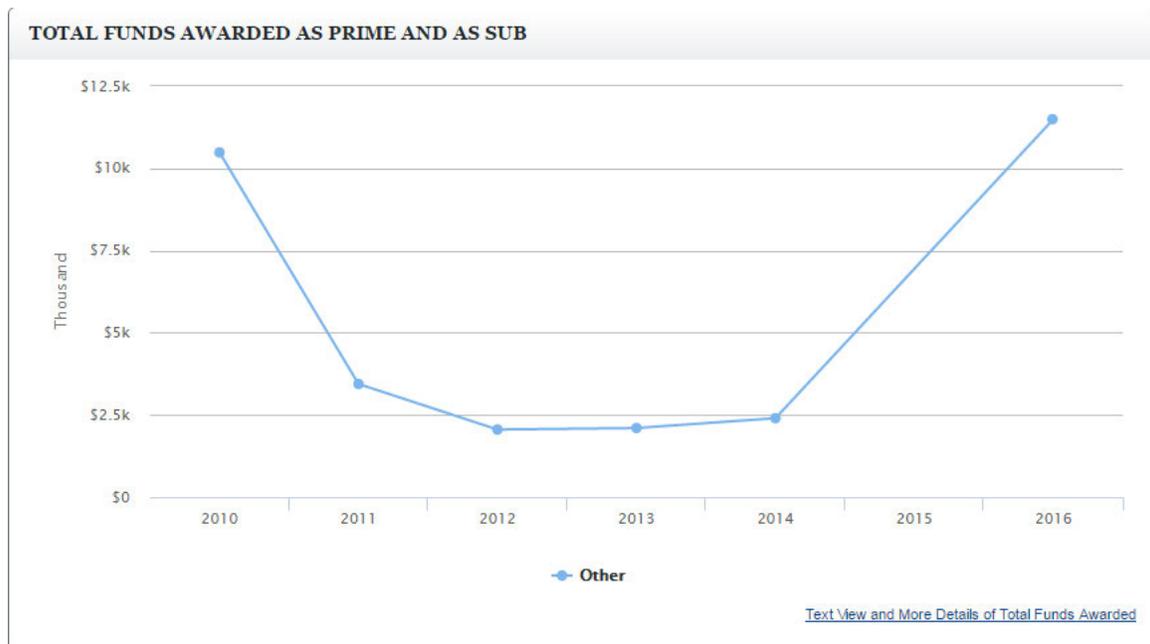
Lobbyist Name: Petraeus, David

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### *Current Employer Government Grants Received*

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### *Current Employer Total Lobbying Spend, Most Recent Year*

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Year:

A special interest's lobbying activity may go up or down over time, depending on how much attention the federal government is giving their issues. Particularly active clients often retain multiple lobbying firms, each with a team of lobbyists, to press their case for them.

**Total Lobbying Expenditures: \$370,000**

Subtotal for Parent KKR & Co: \$330,000

Subtotal for Subsidiary First Data Corp: \$40,000

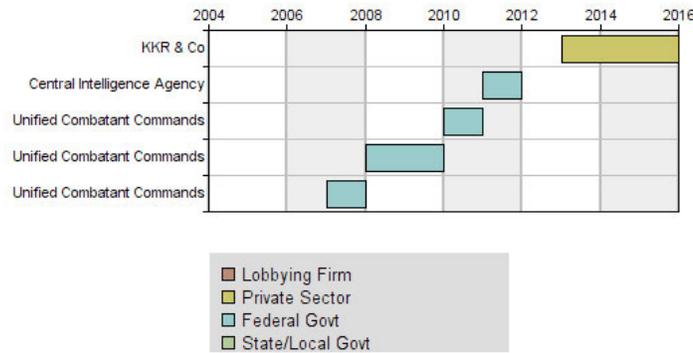
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### ***Revolving Door***

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**KKR & Co**  
*Former Director, Central Intelligence Agency*

### **Employment Timeline**



### ***Bankruptcy***

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### ***Liens***

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### ***Criminal Filings***

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### ***Social Media***

Facebook N/A

Twitter N/A

[LinkedIn](#)

Instagram N/A

## QUESTIONS FOR DAVID PETRAEUS

### Political Vulnerabilities

#### Email Controversy

Background: In 2015, the FBI investigated Petraeus to determine whether he had passed classified information to his biographer and mistress Paula Broadwell. Petraeus pled guilty to a misdemeanor count of unauthorized removal and retention of classified information for which he paid a \$100,000 fine and was given 2 years' probation.

- **Is there any additional information that went unreported regarding the above that could surface should you join the administration?**
- **Are there any other individuals or other situations in which you illegally shared classified information?**
- **Would you abide by the administration's policies regarding the exchange of classified information and the use of a government email address?**

#### Criticisms of President-elect

Background: Petraeus has been critical of some of the President-elect's statements regarding military strategy and immigration plans (Muslim nation ban, etc.). Petraeus wrote an op-ed in which he called on the President-elect to stop the use of certain rhetoric.

- **Given the tumultuous nature of this campaign season, would you commit to standing by the President and express full public support during turbulent periods should you serve in the administration?**
- **Do you have any specific reservations to putting full support behind the President-elect's issues agenda and policy platform?**

#### Connection to Lobbyists/Foreign Companies



- **Do any current business relationships related to your work at KKR create an immediate conflict of interest should you join the administration?**
- **Is there anything we need to know from your time working for KKR that could create public relations turbulence should you join the administration?**
- **Are you will be to temporarily cease any and all relationships with domestic and foreign companies should the administration?**

#### Paid Speaking Disclosures

Background: Petraeus' speaking engagements have resulted in him making "more in one speech than he'd earned all year as a wartime four-star general."

- **Will you agree to privately release to the campaign a full list of every paid speech you have given and who paid you to give each speech?**
  - **Will you provide the dates for each speech?**
  - **Will you provide the name of each entity that paid for a speech?**

### **Connection to Clinton World**

Background: Petraeus engaged in a National Security Summit with Clinton during the campaign and was indirectly connected to national security personnel who supported Clinton. Petraeus did not endorse Clinton formally, but offered that she would be an "excellent" president.

- **Is there anything we need to know related to your relationships with Clinton-world/'anti-Trump' national security personnel?**

## **Policy Questions**

### **Opposition to Immigration Ban - Muslim Nations**

Background: Petraeus has extensively criticized the President-elect's proposal of a temporary ban on Muslim immigration to the U.S.

- **Are you willing to full back a plan to temporarily halt immigration to the U.S. from Muslim majority nations, should the administration move forward with one?**
- **Would you be willing to help the President-elect create an immigration plan which would emphasize the safety of U.S. citizens through a temporary halt on immigrations from certain geographies?**

### **Backing of Iran Nuclear Deal**

Background: Petraeus endorsed the Iran Nuclear Deal and suggested it was the best possible deal that the U.S. could negotiate. The SOS could take a lead role in renegotiation.

- **Are you willing to help the President-elect negotiate a new nuclear deal with Iran?**
  - **If so, do you have any suggestions or advice on how a 'new deal' could be attained?**
- **Will you stand by the President-elect's insistence that a better deal could be negotiated and that Iran is an adversary to the U.S.?**

### **Support for the Trans-Pacific Partnership**

Background: Petraeus is an on the record supporter for the Trans-Pacific Partnership. The SOS could take a lead role in renegotiation of the trade agreement.

- **Are you willing to support the President-elect's plan to renegotiate the Trans-Pacific Partnership, or completely pull out of it?**
- **Are you willing to lead renegotiation of the agreement if called upon by the President-elect?**

### **Generic Lead Diplomat**

- **As lead diplomat, which diplomatic tool would you utilize most in your interactions with other states on behalf of the United States?**

- **What do you view as the biggest issues the next SOS should address on behalf of the President?**

### Syria Policy

Background: The current conflict in Syria is considered to be the most dramatic convergence point of ongoing American military engagements and Russia's foreign policy. Mr. Trump's strategy and policy towards Syria, and the greater Middle East will be vital to the sustainability of several foreign states.

- **A major point of contention between the United States and Russia with regards to objectives in Syria has been the continued leadership of Basar Al-Assad. Obama's red line policy heightened these tensions, but his failure to act made him look weak. Would you advocate to remove Assad from power as is consistent with current U.S. foreign policy or would you try to work with him to restore stability in Syria?**
- **Russia and the United States infamously were able to work together to dismantle Syria's chemical weapons. What other areas do you see such cooperation in Syria occurring between our two countries despite significant underlying issues?**
- **Do you believe that the ongoing civil war and instability in Syria is a compelling interest of United States foreign policy?**

### ISIS

Background: Mr. Trump has been intentionally vague in his plan to address ISIS and as a result the SOS role may have an extremely important public facing role in the conflict.

- **As Secretary of State, what role do you see yourself having in facilitating international cooperation to combat ISIS globally?**
- **What do you see as the areas of highest risk of being a threat to ISIS, and how would you work with international partners to secure these areas?**

### Russia Policy

- **The New START Treaty, which came into effect in 2011, is set to expire in 2021 which means that the groundwork for future negotiations should begin during this administration. What steps can be taken over the next four years to lay the best foundation for these talks, and what do you see as the overarching objective of these discussions?**
- **Russia has recently made aggressive moves against our NATO allies, prompting fears that the United States will not live up to its obligations under the treaty to treat an attack on any ally as an attack on itself. What diplomatic reassurances would you offer our partners, and how would you work with Russia to de-escalate tensions in Europe?**
- **Mr. Trump's relationship with Russian President Vladimir Putin has been a source of intense criticism during the election cycle. How would you ensure that the diplomatic relationship between the United States and Russia improves without ceding ground to Russia or appearing weak?**

### China Policy

Background: Mr. Trump has taken a harsh stance on China as an future economic partner with the U.S. and has indicated he may ignore Asian allies in the near term. The SOS will be retooling the Clinton-Obama "asia pivot" that the American people rejected.

- **The United States recently announced that it will deploy THAAD anti-missile technology in South Korea to defend our Asian allies from North Korea. This declaration angered China, which has threatened to take countermeasures should THAAD be actively deployed. How would you effectively balance the need to protect our Asian allies with the fear that China will react adversely?**
- **China has made aggressive land-grabbing moves in the South China Sea, even going so far as to create artificial islands to claim more contested waters. International rulings have gone against China's actions and claims, to no avail since they are not enforceable. What coalitions would you create, or negotiations would you hope to facilitate with China, to counter this threat?**
- **Mr. Trump's threat to slap large tariffs on Chinese imports could prompt China to shut off market access and raise tariffs on American imports. How do you foresee upholding Mr. Trump's pledge to renegotiate our trading patterns with China?**

### Mexico Policy

Background: Mr. Trump has taken an aggressive stance on Mexico as both a trade partner and as a geographic neighbor with land borders. His commitment to building the wall and renegotiating NAFTA will likely involve any SOS in the administration.

- **In light of Mr. Trump's agenda of stopping American companies from moving to Mexico and his plan to build a wall, how would you ensure good relations with Mexico?**
- **Are you willing to help Mr. Trump uphold his pledge to renegotiate NAFTA?**

### **TRUMP / PENCE CRITICISMS**

#### ***Petraeus Has Extensively Criticized Trump's Anti-Muslim Rhetoric And Proposal Of A Temporary Ban On Muslim Immigration To The U.S.***

**In A Statement To CNN, Petraeus Said That "It Is Precisely Because The Danger Of Islamist Extremism Is So Great That Politicians Here And Abroad Who Toy With Anti-Muslim Bigotry Must Consider The Effect Of Their Rhetoric."** CNN'S KATE BOLDUAN: "Criticism coming from Leon Panetta, maybe not so surprising. He was Bill Clinton's chief of staff, worked in the Obama administration, but General David Petraeus, he is also speaking out. What does he say?" JOSH ROGIN, CNN POLITICAL ANALYST: "That's right. This is first on CNN, General Petraeus, giving us a pretty stark comment about the effect of Trump's anti-Muslim comments. Let me read it to you. Petraeus says, 'It is precisely because the danger of Islamist extremism is so great that politicians here and abroad who toy with anti-Muslim bigotry must consider the effect of their rhetoric.'" (CNN s "[At This Hour With Berman And Michaela](#)," 5/13/16)

- **Petraeus' Statement Goes On To Say That "Demonizing A Religious Faith And Its Adherents Not Only Runs Contrary To Our Most Cherished Values As A Country, It Is Also Corrosive To Our Vital National Security Interests And Ultimately The United States' Success In This War."** ROGIN: "Demonizing a religious faith and its adherents not only runs contrary to our most cherished values as the country, it is also corrosive to our vital national security interests and ultimately to the United States' success in this war.' That's Petraeus." (CNN s "[At This Hour With Berman And Michaela](#)," 5/13/16)

**In A May 2016 Op-Ed, Petraeus Expressed Concerns With "Inflammatory Political Discourse" Against Muslims And Islam, "Including Proposals... For Blanket Discrimination Against People On The Basis Of Their Religion."** "For that reason, I have grown increasingly concerned about inflammatory political discourse that has become far too common both at home and abroad against

Muslims and Islam, including proposals from various quarters for blanket discrimination against people on the basis of their religion.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)

- **Petraeus Asserted That “The Ramifications Of Such Rhetoric Could Be Very Harmful – And Lasting.”** “I fear that neither is true; in fact, the ramifications of such rhetoric could be very harmful and lasting.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)
- **Petraeus Said That “As Policy, These Concepts Are Totally Counterproductive.”** “As policy, these concepts are totally counterproductive: Rather than making our country safer, they will compound the already grave terrorist danger to our citizens. As ideas, they are toxic and, indeed, non-biodegradable a kind of poison that, once released into our body politic, is not easily expunged.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)
- **Petraeus Said That “Those Who Flirt With Hate Speech Against Muslims Should Realize They Are Playing Directly Into The Hands Of Al-Qaeda And The Islamic State” By Playing Into The Fears Muslims Have “That The United States Is At War With Them And Their Religion.”** “Setting aside moral considerations, those who flirt with hate speech against Muslims should realize they are playing directly into the hands of al-Qaeda and the Islamic State. The terrorists’ explicit hope has been to try to provoke a clash of civilizations telling Muslims that the United States is at war with them and their religion. When Western politicians propose blanket discrimination against Islam, they bolster the terrorists’ propaganda.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)
- **Petraeus Said That “Such Statements Directly Undermine Our Ability To Defeat Islamist Extremists By Alienating And Undermining The Allies Whose Help We Most Need To Win This Fight: Namely, Muslims.”** “At the same time, such statements directly undermine our ability to defeat Islamist extremists by alienating and undermining the allies whose help we most need to win this fight: namely, Muslims.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)
- **Petraeus: “I Fear That Those Who Demonize And Denigrate Islam Make It More Likely That It Will Be Our Own Men And Women Who Ultimately Have To Shoulder More Of This Fight — At Greater Cost In Dollars And Lives.”** (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)
- **Petraeus Said That “We Should Also Acknowledge That Patriotic Muslim Americans In Our Intelligence Agencies And Armed Forces... Have Been Vital Assets In This Fight With Radical Islam.** “We should also acknowledge that patriotic Muslim Americans in our intelligence agencies and armed forces many of them immigrants or children of immigrants have been vital assets in this fight with radical Islam.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)
- **Petraeus Also Pointed Out That “Many [Patriotic Muslim Americans Are] Immigrants Or Children Of Immigrants.”** “We should also acknowledge that patriotic Muslim Americans in our intelligence agencies and armed forces many of them immigrants or children of immigrants have been vital assets in this fight with radical Islam.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists,” [The Washington Post](#) 5/13/16)
- **Petraeus Said That “It Is Precisely Because The Danger Of Islamist Extremism Is So Great That Politicians Here And Abroad Who Toy With Anti-Muslim Bigotry Must Consider The Effects Of Their Rhetoric.”** “Again, none of this is to deny or diminish the reality that we are at war with Islamist extremism a fanatical ideology based on a twisted interpretation of Islam. Nor is it to minimize the need for smart, intelligence-driven measures to prevent terrorists from infiltrating our borders and exploiting our immigration policies. But it is precisely because the danger of Islamist extremism is so great that politicians here and abroad who toy with anti-

Muslim bigotry must consider the effects of their rhetoric. Demonizing a religious faith and its adherents not only runs contrary to our most cherished and fundamental values as a country; it is also corrosive to our vital national security interests and, ultimately, to the United States' success in this war." (David Petraeus, "David Petraeus Anti Muslim Bigotry Aids Islamic Terrorists," [The Washington Post](#), 5/13/16)

**Clinton Pointed Out That Petraeus Had Said That "Demonizing A Religious Faith And Its Adherents Will Come At A Great Costs. Not Just To Our Values But Our Men And Women In Uniform And Our National Security."** HILLARY CLINTON, (D), PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE & FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE: "Second, we need to build trust in Muslim communities here at home to counter radicalization and this would make it harder. Third, Trump's words will be, in fact, they already are, a recruiting tool for ISIS to help them increase its ranks of people willing to do what we saw in Orlando. And fourth, he's turning Americans against Americans, which is exactly what ISIS wants. Leaders who have actually fought terrorists know this. General Petraeus said recently that demonizing a religious faith and its adherents will come at a great cost. Not just to our values but our men and women in uniform and our national security. Commissioner Bill Bratton, of the New York Police Department, said this kind of talk makes his job harder. He has Muslims in his police force, Muslims in the community, and he needs everybody working together against any potential threat. But Donald won't listen to any of this, experts like General Petraeus or Commissioner Bratton or anybody, because he says he knows more about ISIS than the generals do." (CNN s "Wolf," 6/14/16)

### ***Petraeus Has Criticized Trump's Rhetoric On Combatting ISIS***

**When Asked About Trump's Criticism Of Obama For Announcing The Plan To Go Into Mosul, Petraeus Said There Is "A Distinction Between So-Called Strategic Surprise, Which Is Not Possible When You're Moving Tens Of Thousands Of Troops And Thousands Of Vehicles And Logistics And Everything Else, And Then Tactical Surprise."** PBS' JUDY WOODRUFF: "So, last night at the debate, Donald Trump again criticized the Obama administration for telegraphing ahead of time the plan to go into Mosul. Does Donald Trump have a point about not letting the enemy know what you're going to do?" GEN. DAVID PETRAEUS: "What is going on here is, in a sense, a distinction between so-called strategic surprise, which is not possible when you're moving tens of thousands of troops and thousands of vehicles and logistics and everything else, and then tactical surprise, which I think probably was achieved to some degree when the Iraqi forces launched the original operation several days ago, and actually has continued, as they have opened new offensives, if you will, from the north and the northeast, in addition to those in the initial day, which came from the south and from the southeast and east." (PBS "Newshour," 10/20/16)

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### ***John McCain, Who Has Been Vocal In His Criticism Of Trump, Made A Request That The Next President Bring Petraeus Into Their Circle***

**John McCain Said That He Hoped That Clinton And Trump Would Discuss Foreign Policy And Diplomacy With Petraeus If Elected.** "The senator, who lost the 2008 election to Barack Obama, continued: 'Here's my hope and I ask this of both candidates. I hope that you would sit down and bring in some of the finest military and diplomatic leaders that this country has ever been graced with. David

Petraeus. Ryan Crocker. Jim Mattis. John Allen's a great leader in Afghanistan.” (David Smith, “John McCain Chides Trump Over Nato ‘We Ought To Show Appreciation,” [The Guardian](#), 5/19/16)

## GENERAL CONTROVERSY

### ***Petraeus Was Forced To Resign In Scandal After It Was Revealed That He Gave Classified Information To His Biographer And Mistress, And Is Currently Serving A Two Year Probation***

**In 2012, David Petraeus Was Forced To Resign From His Post As Director Of The CIA Because The FBI Uncovered That Petraeus Was Engaging In An Extramarital Affair With His Biographer.** “Mr. Petraeus issued a statement acknowledging the affair after President Obama accepted his resignation and it was announced by the C.I.A. The disclosure ended a triumphant re-election week for the president with an unfolding scandal. Government officials said that the F.B.I. began an investigation into a "potential criminal matter" several months ago that was not focused on Mr. Petraeus. In the course of their inquiry into whether a computer used by Mr. Petraeus had been compromised, agents discovered evidence of the relationship as well as other security concerns. About two weeks ago, F.B.I. agents met with Mr. Petraeus to discuss the investigation.” (Michael D. Shear, “Petraeus Resigns at C.I.A.,” [The New York Times](#), 11/10/12)

**Petraeus Was Later Investigated By The CIA For Misusing The “Trappings And Perquisites Of His Position, Including Security Details, Private Jets And Special Accommodations, To Facilitate The Affair, A Person Familiar With The Investigation Said.”** “The inquiry will focus largely on whether Mr. Petraeus misused the trappings and perquisites of his position, including security details, private jets and special accommodations, to facilitate the affair, a person familiar with the investigation said.” (Eric Schmitt, “C.I.A. Investigates Petraeus Affair As Lawmakers Press Libya Attack Inquiry,” [The New York Times](#), 11/16/12)

**The FBI Investigated Petraeus To Determine Whether He Had Passed Classified Information To His Biographer And Mistress Paula Broadwell, And Recommended Charges When It Was Determined That He Had Provided Her With “Black Notebooks That Contained Sensitive Information About Official Meetings, War Strategy And Intelligence Capabilities, As Well As The Names Of Covert Officers.”** “A federal judge on Thursday sentenced David H. Petraeus, a former C.I.A. director and the highest-profile general from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, to two years' probation for providing classified information to a woman with whom he was having an affair.... The sentencing was a disappointing one for F.B.I. officials, who believed that Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. had given Mr. Petraeus preferential treatment by allowing him to plead guilty to a misdemeanor and recommending that he receive probation instead of prison time. Federal judges are not bound by such recommendations, but they almost always follow them... As part of the plea agreement, Mr. Petraeus admitted that he gave his lover, Paula Broadwell, who was writing a biography about him, black notebooks that contained sensitive information about official meetings, war strategy and intelligence capabilities, as well as the names of covert officers.” (Michael S. Schmidt And Matt Apuzzo, “Petraeus Receives Probation for Giving Information to Lover,” [The New York Times](#), 4/24/16)

**In 2015, David Petraeus Pled Guilty To A Misdemeanor Count Of Unauthorized Removal And Retention Of Classified Information For Which He Paid \$100,000 Fine And Was Given 2 Years Probation.** “Petraeus, 62, pleaded guilty Thursday to a misdemeanor count of unauthorized removal and retention of classified information. According to court documents, he shared the information with Broadwell, his biographer, then lied about doing so to the FBI. U.S. Magistrate Judge David Keesler of Charlotte sentenced the former CIA director and military commander to two years probation and a \$100,000 fine - more than twice the amount spelled out in the plea bargain between Petraeus and his prosecutors. The crime carried up to one year in prison.” (Michael Gordon, “David Petraeus Pleads Guilty, But Investigation Remains Open,” [Lexington Herald Leader](#), 4/23/15)

### ***Military Career***

**Petraeus’ Competitive Nature Was Noted By Some Officers, Using The Example Of Him Challenging Younger Officers To Athletic Competitions And Pressing Until He Won.** “His intensity, cutting

intellect and competitiveness have rubbed some officers the wrong way. Muttered jibes about 'King David' have been heard around his command post. He remains obsessive about what he calls 'the P.T. culture' -- physical training -- and has been known to challenge soldiers half his age to various athletic competitions. 'If anyone beats him in the shorter runs, four miles or so, he takes them out for 10 miles and smokes them,' a staff officer observed several years ago. At 5-foot-9 and 155 pounds, Petraeus evokes George Bernard Shaw's description of the British general Bernard L. Montgomery: 'an intensely compacted hank of wire.'" (Rick Atkinson, "Iraq Will Be Petraeus's Knot To Untie," [The Washington Post](#) 1/7/07)

**While Petraeus' Time As Commander Of The 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne In Iraq Was Lauded As Successful, More Than 60 Soldiers From His Division Died.** "As commander of the 101st Airborne, Petraeus saw combat for the first time during the division's drive up the Euphrates Valley, with sharp firefights in Najaf, Karbala and Hilla. But it was during the division's subsequent occupation of Mosul and northern Iraq that he won widespread acclaim by resurrecting the local economy, restoring services and preserving order with strategic force, which included killing Saddam Hussein's two sons. Posters in the division bivouacs read: 'What have you done to win Iraqi hearts and minds today?' More than 60 soldiers from the 101st died during the deployment, and upon bringing the division back to Kentucky in February 2004, Petraeus remarked, 'It's been a long, tough year, and I am older in more ways than just age.'" (Rick Atkinson, "Iraq Will Be Petraeus's Knot To Untie," [The Washington Post](#) 1/7/07)

**Petraeus' Service As Commander Of The Multi-National Security Transition Command Resulted In "The Project At Best [Remained] An Imperiled Work In Progress, With Alarming Signs Of Sectarian Fractures Spreading Through The Iraqi Security Institutions."** "His subsequent service as commander of the Multi-National Security Transition Command, responsible for training Iraqi security forces, was another long, tough year -- that stretched to 15 months. Tens of thousands of Iraqi soldiers and police were trained, with concomitant efforts to supply infrastructure, equipment and procedures. But the project at best remains an imperiled work in progress, with alarming signs of sectarian fractures spreading through the Iraqi security institutions that Petraeus is known to consider as crucial to restoring stability there as any additional coalition forces could be." (Rick Atkinson, "Iraq Will Be Petraeus's Knot To Untie," [The Washington Post](#) 1/7/07)

**In His Dissertation, Petraeus Urged The Military To Pay More Attention, Saying "We Do Not Take The Time To Understand The Nature Of The Society In Which We Are Fighting, The Government We Are Supporting, Or The Enemy We Are Fighting."** "Petraeus has spent his career urging the military to pay more attention. 'We do not take the time to understand the nature of the society in which we are fighting, the government we are supporting, or the enemy we are fighting,' he said in his dissertation. When he took over CENTCOM in 2008, he was so perturbed by the poverty of good intelligence on Afghanistan and Pakistan that he persuaded the director of national intelligence to upgrade the entire collection effort, and he set up a special CENTCOM unit to provide independent analysis of the take." (John Barry, "General David Petraeus On Leaving Afghanistan And Going To CIA," [Newsweek](#) 7/17/11)

### ***Petraeus Participated In A National Security Summit With Clinton, Which Was Seen As "Not An Endorsement, But... Just Short Of It"***

**Clinton Spokesman Brian Fallon Said That Petraeus Participated In A National Security Summit With Hillary Clinton In September 2016.** BRIAN FALLON: "And, yes, she went right from the doctor's office on Friday and convened a national security summit with leaders from across the ideological spectrum, supporting our campaign and believes Hillary Clinton is the one to make the most important decisions as commander-in-chief. So we had individuals like former DHS Secretary Chertoff and former General David Petraeus participate in the summit. She answered questions from the media after that and she participated in an evening event, kept up a full day of work, meetings, non-public, on Saturday" (CNN's "Wolf Blitzer," 9/12/16)

- **CNN's David Chalian Pointed Out That Petraeus Was The "Architect Of The Surge" In Iraq That Clinton Opposed "For Political Reasons."** DAVID CHALIAN, CNN POLITICAL DIRECTOR: "It

could be -- yes, the cross hall, yes, it is definitely White House-esque, there's no doubt about that, and it is definitely a meeting that -- we got a picture of the meeting itself earlier that also was very well-stage managed in that way. That kind of presidential stage craft. It's interesting to hear, Jeff, when he referenced Petraeus as the architect of the surge. Remember, that was a surge that Hillary Clinton opposed, that Robert Gates said she did so for political reasons. I wonder as Donald Trump on this day is going after Hillary Clinton for being trigger happy, for military adventurism, to surround herself with some of these folks who maybe bolster that image rather than break away from it." (CNN's "The Lead With Jake Tapper," 9/9/16)

- **CNN's Gloria Borger Said That Petraeus' Engagement In This Discussion With Clinton Despite These Differences Was "Not An Endorsement But [Was] Just Short Of It."** GLORIA BORGER, CNN CHIEF POLITICAL ANALYST: "You know, particularly David Petraeus. I mean, don't forget Benghazi is a huge issue for Hillary Clinton. David Petraeus was at CIA at the time. And for David Petraeus to now come out, he has not endorsed, we should say that, but participating in this meeting is a public showing of the fact that you can engage in a foreign policy discussion publicly with Hillary Clinton, you're willing to do it. So, it's not an endorsement but it's just short of it. I think it is kind of important for them to have him there. Also Michael Chertoff, you know, Bush's former head of homeland security." (CNN's "The Lead With Jake Tapper," 9/9/16)

### ***Petraeus Said That Clinton Would "Make A Tremendous President"***

**Petraeus Said Of Hillary Clinton "She'd Make A Tremendous President."** "Former general David Petraeus tells the authors of a new book on Hillary Rodham Clinton that 'she'd make a tremendous president.' The comment is in HRC: State Secrets and the Rebirth of Hillary Clinton, by Jonathan Allen and Amie Parnes; it hits bookstores on Tuesday." (David Jackson, "Petraeus Clinton Would Be 'Tremendous President,'" [USA Today](#) 2/10/14)

**Petraeus Praised Clinton On Her Response To Benghazi, Saying "In The Wake Of The Benghazi Attacks... She Was Extraordinarily Resolute, Determined, And Controlled."** "Petraeus, often called the Republicans' favorite general, even praises Clinton for her handling of the incident that has drawn the most Republican criticism of the former secretary of State, the 2012 attack on a U.S. facility in Benghazi, Libya. 'Like a lot of great leaders, her most impressive qualities were most visible during tough times,' Petraeus says in HRC. 'In the wake of the Benghazi attacks, for example, she was extraordinarily resolute, determined, and controlled.'" (David Jackson, "Petraeus Clinton Would Be 'Tremendous President,'" [USA Today](#) 2/10/14)

### ***Petraeus Hired The Lawyer Who Advised Clinton On Her Email Scandal To Handle His Criminal Case***

**Petraeus Hired Lawyer David E. Kendall To Handle His Criminal Case.** "What happens next for Mr. Petraeus is unclear. David E. Kendall, his lawyer on the criminal matter, refused to comment on the investigation, as did officials at the Justice Department." (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, "After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight," [The New York Times](#) 2/27/15)

**Kendall Has Served As The Clinton's Personal Lawyer For Over 20 Years, Most Recently Advising Hillary In The Email Scandal.** "For more than 20 years, Mr. Kendall has been on the front lines for Bill and Hillary Rodham Clinton as their personal lawyer, battling investigators and litigants in the superheated environment where law and politics meet. From Whitewater to impeachment, he has waged legal warfare to keep the Clintons' political careers on track. So as Mrs. Clinton faces questions about her use of a personal email server as secretary of state, no one is surprised she turned to Mr. Kendall." (Peter Baker, "From Whitewater To Email The Clinton's Dogged Lawyer," [The New York Times](#) 8/23/15)

## **CONTROVERSIAL POLICY / STATEMENTS**

### ***House Republicans Claimed That Petraeus Misled Them In His September 2012 Testimony On Benghazi***

**“At Least Five Republican Lawmakers On The House Intelligence Committee Suggested Former CIA Director David Petraeus Provided Bad Information, Or Even Misled Them, After The 2012 Benghazi Attack.”** “Newly declassified testimony shows at least five Republican lawmakers on the House Intelligence Committee suggested former CIA Director David Petraeus provided bad information, or even misled them, after the 2012 Benghazi attack when he blamed an obscure Internet video and downplayed the significance of mortar attacks that night.” (Catherine Herridge, “GOP Lawmakers Highly Critical Of Petraeus Benghazi Explanation, Testimony Shows,” [FOX News](#) 12/5/14)

**Several Lawmakers Noted That Petraeus Had Initially Claimed That An Anti-Islam Video Was To Blame For The Benghazi Attacks.** “The testimony shows lawmakers, including the chairman, recalling how Petraeus stressed protests over an anti-Islam video as the impetus -- an explanation that would later unravel -- while brushing off concerns that mortar attacks indicated a planned terror attack. During that testimony, Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Texas, who takes the gavel of the House Armed Services Committee in January, said: ‘Mr. Morell, my strongest memory [was] Director Petraeus on the Friday after this event coming in and telling us this was all a spontaneous demonstration caused by a video.’” (Catherine Herridge, “GOP Lawmakers Highly Critical Of Petraeus Benghazi Explanation, Testimony Shows,” [FOX News](#) 12/5/14)

**Representative Peter King Asserted That Petraeus’ Testimony On Benghazi In November 2012 Did Not Match His Testimony In September 2012.** “Another lawmaker, Republican Representative Peter King, said Petraeus’ account in the closed-door session differed from the assessment the CIA chief gave to Congress two months ago, just days after the September 11 attack that killed U.S. Ambassador Christopher Stevens and three other Americans. ‘He also stated that he thought all along he made it clear that there were significant terrorist involvement, and that is not my recollection of what he told us on September 14,’ King said.” (Susan Cornwell And Tabassum Zakaria, “In Benghazi Testimony, Petraeus Says Al Qaeda Role Known Early,” [Reuters](#), 11/16/12)

- **King Noted That Chairman Mike Rogers Specifically Pressed Petraeus On The Possibility That Of Benghazi Having Been A Carefully Planned Terrorist Attack In September And Petraeus Deflected.** “King said, ‘the 90 percent conclusion that General Petraeus reached was that this was caused by the video, and it was a spontaneous demonstration.’ King continued, ‘the one thing he was ruling out was terrorist involvement. I remember when the chairman [Mike Rogers] specifically mentioned to him about the mortar rounds, three mortar rounds landing at the Annex, could that be an indication of terrorist involvement. [Petraeus] said no. He said anybody in Libya could do that.’” (Catherine Herridge, “GOP Lawmakers Highly Critical Of Petraeus Benghazi Explanation, Testimony Shows,” [FOX News](#) 12/5/14)
- **King Stated That Petraeus Definitively Asserted That The Anti-Islam Video Was To Blame In September 2012.** “In the same session, Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y., went further, saying Petraeus was ‘definitive’ in his assessment the video was to blame, and unlike the intelligence community witnesses present, the general did not talk about ‘shifts in the line of analysis.’” (Catherine Herridge, “GOP Lawmakers Highly Critical Of Petraeus Benghazi Explanation, Testimony Shows,” [FOX News](#) 12/5/14)

### ***Petraeus Endorsed The Iran Nuclear Deal, And Suggested That Strong Deterrence Was Needed To Ensure Enforcement And Continued Stability After The Deal Expires***

**Petraeus Endorsed The Iran Nuclear Deal “Just Weeks Before A Congressional Vote.”** MSNBC’S LAWRENCE O`DONNELL: “That was Donald Trump in Iowa last night. Today, in the ‘Washington Post’, retired General David Petraeus, the former CIA director in the Obama administration and Dennis Ross, a former special assistant to President Obama for the Middle East, co-authored an Op-ed piece supporting the deal. Saying, ‘there can be little doubt that a deal leaves us far better off. We also don’t believe that if Congress blocks the deal, a better one is going to be negotiated.’ The support of General Petraeus comes just weeks before a Congressional vote on the deal. Twenty nine Democratic Senators have announced their support for the deal, only two Democratic Senators have announced their oppositions.” (MSNBC’s “The Last Word With Lawrence O`Donnell,” 8/26/15)

**In An Op-Ed, Petraeus Said That The Iran Nuclear Deal Had “Benefits” And That “If Congress Blocks The Deal, A Better One [Will Not] Be Negotiated.”** “Many members of Congress continue to grapple with the nuclear deal with Iran and so do we. Like us, the undecideds see its benefits: The deal would block the uranium enrichment, plutonium separation and covert paths to a nuclear bomb for the next 15 years. Compared with today, with an Iran that is three months from break-out capability and with a stockpile of 10 bombs’ worth of low-enriched uranium, there can be little doubt that a deal leaves us far better off, producing a one-year break-out time and permitting the Iranians less than one bomb’s worth of material for the next 15 years. We also don’t believe that if Congress blocks the deal, a better one is going to be negotiated. Will the other members of the P5+1 be ready to return to the table because Congress says no? Will they even know who defines the U.S. position and what it is? We doubt it.” (Dennis Ross And David H. Petraeus, “How To Put Some Teeth Into The Nuclear Deal With Iran,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/25/15)

- **Petraeus Said That The Only Downside Of The Iran Nuclear Deal Was That There Were No Restrictions On Iran After 15 Years And Iran Could Deploy “Five Advanced Models Of Centrifuges Starting In Year 10 Of The Agreement.”** “So if the deal, known as the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), has clear benefits and there is no obvious negotiated alternative, why are we still undecided? Put simply, because the deal places no limits on how much the Iranians can build or expand their nuclear infrastructure after 15 years. Even the monitoring provisions that would continue beyond 15 years may prove insufficient as the Iranian nuclear program grows. And Iran’s ability to dramatically increase its output of enriched material after year 15 would be significant, as Iran deploys five advanced models of centrifuges starting in year 10 of the agreement.” (Dennis Ross And David H. Petraeus, “How To Put Some Teeth Into The Nuclear Deal With Iran,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/25/15)
- **Petraeus Suggested That Deterrence Was Critical To Enforcing The Iran Deal.** “In other words, deterrence is the key to ensuring not just that the Iranians live up to the agreement but also to preventing them from developing nuclear weapons. Iran must know that we will not permit it to become a nuclear weapons state ever.” (Dennis Ross And David H. Petraeus, “How To Put Some Teeth Into The Nuclear Deal With Iran,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/25/15)
- **Petraeus Said That It Must Be Made Clear That After The Iran Nuclear Deal Expired If Iran “Dashes Toward A Weapon... It Will Trigger The Use Of Force.”** “Now is the time to make it clear that there will be a firewall between Iran’s threshold status and its having a nuclear weapon. Now is the time for the Iranians and the world to know that if Iran dashes toward a weapon, especially after year 15, that it will trigger the use of force. At that point, it would be too late for sanctions to preempt an Iranian nuclear fait accompli.” (Dennis Ross And David H. Petraeus, “How To Put Some Teeth Into The Nuclear Deal With Iran,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/25/15)
- **Petraeus Asserted That Iran Needed To “Understand That There Will Be A Price For Every Transgression, No Matter How Small, And That We Will Raise The Cost To Them Of De-Stabilizing Behavior In The Region.”** “Deterrence would be more effective and full implementation of the agreement more likely if the Iranians understand that there will be a price for every transgression, no matter how small, and that we will raise the cost to them of destabilizing behavior in the region.” (Dennis Ross And David H. Petraeus, “How To Put Some Teeth Into The Nuclear Deal With Iran,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/25/15)

### ***Petraeus Supports Increased Gun Control***

**Petraeus Backed A Bill Blocking People On The No Fly List From Buying Guns And Expanding Background Checks.** PETER ALEXANDER: “Despite a stalemate in Congress, Americans views are clear. A majority of Americans favors stricter gun control laws. Eighty- five percent support blocking people on the No Fly List from buying guns and expanding background checks more than ninety-percent approve. One possible solution, a compromise in the Senate. Lawmakers voting Thursday to allow more debate on a bipartisan plan to block gun sales to people on the No Fly List.” SENATOR SUSAN COLLINS (R-Maine): “Let us not miss this opportunity to make a difference.” PETER ALEXANDER: “That bill now boasting

high-profile backers, including retired generals David Petraeus and Stanley McChrystal.” (NBC News “Today Show,” 6/24/16)

**At A New America Event, Petraeus “Spoke With Uncharacteristic Passion About The Large Number Of Gunshot Deaths Every Year In America And The Inexcusable Lack Of Regulations, Which, Among Other Things, Compounds The Threat Of Domestic Terrorism.”** “He’s grown more confident in his speaking style, slicker at evading things he doesn’t want to talk about. At the New America event, he spoke with uncharacteristic passion about the large number of gunshot deaths every year in America and the inexcusable lack of regulations, which, among other things, compounds the threat of domestic terrorism.” (Fred Kaplan, “The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus,” [Slate](#), 6/21/16)

### ***Petraeus Is Opposed To Torture***

**Petraeus Is Opposed To Torture “Saying, From His Experience Overseeing Some Of The World’s Largest Detention Centers, That The Best Way For An Interrogator To Extract Information From A Detainee Is ‘To Become His Best Friend.’”** “He expressed opposition to torture, saying, from his experience overseeing some of the world’s largest detention centers, that the best way for an interrogator to extract information from a detainee is ‘to become his best friend.’” (Fred Kaplan, “The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus,” [Slate](#) 6/21/16)

**In December 2012, Petraeus Was Encouraged To Speak Out Against The Claim In The Movie ‘Zero Dark Thirty’ That Information Was Acquired Through Torture, Which Petraeus Knew To Be False, But His Scandal Was Still Fresh And So He Said Nothing.** “Most of his positions on these issues are hardly new. When the film Zero Dark Thirty was released in December 2012, some of Petraeus’ friends encouraged him to speak out against its claim that information gleaned through torture led the way to finding Osama Bin Laden – a thesis he knew to be untrue. But Petraeus’ scandal was still fresh (he’d been forced out of the CIA just a month earlier), and he spent his days, for the next several months, holed up inside his Virginia home, pedaling his exercise bike, reading, talking with friends on the phone – anything to avoid the flock of reporters and cameras perched just beyond his front yard.” (Fred Kaplan, “The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus,” [Slate](#) 6/21/16)

### ***Petraeus Has Implied That The U.S. Will Continue To Have A Role That Will Require Continued Presence In The Middle East Post-ISIS***

**In An August 15<sup>th</sup> Op-Ed, Petraeus Asserted That “Shiite Militias Should Play No Role In Post-Islamic State Security” And “Baghdad And Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi Will Need To Be Prepared To Make More Explicit Commitments About Levels Of Resourcing.”** “The best vehicle for carrying this out would be a provincial council like the one set up in 2003, and through a similarly inclusive process. Importantly, Shiite militias should play no role in post-Islamic State security and governance. Because Nineveh and the other Sunni Arab provinces lack significant energy resources and the leverage they provide, Kurdish-style constitutional autonomy is not a viable option. Nonetheless, Baghdad and Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi will need to be prepared to make more explicit commitments about levels of resourcing, and also perhaps grant the region greater autonomy in determining spending priorities. The task facing Abadi is exceedingly complex, but the only way forward is to squarely face the challenges, work to build relationships and press the many disparate parties to find common ground on the issues – aided by the U.S.-led coalition.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Op Ed The Main Challenge In Mosul Won’t Be To Defeat ISIS. It Will Be What Comes After.” [Chicago Tribune](#) 8/15/16)

**Petraeus Also Asserts That “The United States, Together With Its Numerous Coalition Partners, Will Have Considerable Influence Over The Resolution Of Issues” After The Islamic State Is Defeated.** “The process to resolve post-Islamic State issues will be difficult and intense. But having enabled the defeat of the Islamic State and having provided the largest amount of assets to ensure further successes and reconstruction initiatives, the United States, together with its numerous coalition partners, will have considerable influence over the resolution of the issues. It will have to exercise that influence.” (David Petraeus, “David Petraeus Op Ed The Main Challenge In Mosul Won’t Be To Defeat ISIS. It Will Be What Comes After.” [Chicago Tribune](#), 8/15/16)

## ***Petraeus Said That Brexit Would “Damage Western Security”***

**Petraeus Said That Brexit Would “Damage Western Security” If It Occurred.** “If Brexit happens, Hong Kong billionaire Li Ka-shing would cut investment in the U.K., but Toyota and Hitachi would not. Former CIA Director David Petraeus claims it would damage Western security, while the former head of MI6, Sir Richard Dearlove, believes it would strengthen British security. Celebrities also want their say. Former ‘Top Gear’ program host Jeremy Clarkson says stay. Veteran actor Michael Caine says go.” (Peter Tasker, “Brexit Referendum Offers Lessons In Direct Democracy,” [Nikkei Asian Review](#) 5/12/16)

## ***Petraeus Has Implied That There Is No Military Solution To Deal With Syria, And Praised Secretary Kerry For His Diplomatic Efforts***

**In Discussing Syria Policy, Petraeus Praised Secretary Kerry For His Diplomatic Efforts And Criticized Putin And Assad For Thinking There Can Be A Military Solution.** ABC’S MARTHA RADDATZ: “And let’s look ahead to Syria. That’s a real problem. We don’t have a lot of ground troops there. We have Aleppo. We have Assad. We all watched that tragedy. When you look at Assad, what should be done about Assad? What should be done about Aleppo?” DAVID PETRAEUS: “Well, in the bigger picture...” RADDATZ: “Remembering that these are Russian backed Syrian forces.” PETRAEUS: “They are. The complexity there is even orders of magnitude more than that in Iraq as challenging as that is. You have many different fights going on. We’re trying to fight and defeat the Islamic State and other al Qaeda affiliates. Many of the Sunni Arabs want to fight Bashar al-Assad, Sunnis that we’re supporting. You now have Russia, Lebanese Hezbollah, the Revolutionary Guards Quds force propping up Bashar al-Assad and really changing the battlefield. The issue here is that as it’s often said that there is no military solution to the challenges of Syria.” RADDATZ: “So, let’s use your phrase. Tell me how this ends.” PETRAEUS: “Well, I’m not sure that Putin and Bashar al-Assad got that memo, because they seem to think they can, indeed, have a military solution and they’re trying to do that to 275,000 people trapped in Aleppo right now as an example. And you may buy that there’s no military solution, but absolutely if you do not change the military context on that battlefield there’s not going to be any meaningful diplomacy. And that’s the situation we’re in now. There are talks. My hat is off absolutely to Secretary Kerry and his indefatigable efforts. But unless you change that context you’re not going to see results. And the way to change the context is to give additional weapons, to give anti-tank guided missiles and indeed some anti-aircraft missiles to the opposition. If you want Arab special forces with them to make sure they’re shot at those fighters, not at civilian aircraft, or what have you, a safe zone. Turkey has declared one. We had a no-fly zone for over a decade to protect the Kurds in northern Iraq and the marsh Arabs, the Shia, in southern Iraq. Again, I think it is time that we undertake these without being absolutely provocative in what we do to Russia, but be firm.” (ABC s “This Week,” 10/16/16)

## ***Petraeus Has Indicated That The U.S. Should Deal With Russia With A Stronger Hand And Has Praised NATO’s Posturing Against The State***

**When Asked If The U.S. Is In Danger Of A Conflict With Russia, Petraeus Answered That There Needed To Be A “Degree Of Firmness” Toward Putin That NATO Was Already Furthering Through Positioning Forces In The Baltic States And Eastern Poland.** ABC’S MARTHA RADDATZ: “And I want to talk about Russia. Where are we with Russia? What is Putin up to?” DAVID PETRAEUS: “Well, I think Putin wants to recreate as much of the Soviet Union as he can through a variety of different means. He’s invaded parts of Georgia, took Crimea, southeastern Ukraine, bases in other countries.” RADDATZ: “are we in danger of a conflict with Russia?” PETRAEUS: “Well, I think we have to show again in a skillful way, not provocative, but we have to show a degree of firmness that is going to be unmistakable to him -- and by the way, in cyber space as well. But certainly in Ukraine, certainly in NATO has taken steps to do this, for example, with positioning forces in the Baltic states and eastern Poland. But that’s what’s going to have to be demonstrated in addition to the other tools, sanctions, continuing those, deepening those and SO ON.” (ABC s “This Week,” 10/16/16)

## ***Petraeus Chaired A Council On Foreign Relations Task Force Which Wrote A Report Calling For Expansion of TTIP And Increased Free Trade In North America***

**Petraeus Served As One Of The Chairs Of A Council On Foreign Relations Task Force Pertaining To A New North American Strategy.** “A new CFR-sponsored Independent Task Force report, North America: Time for a New Focus, asserts that elevating and prioritizing the U.S.-Canada-Mexico relationship offers the best opportunity for strengthening the United States and its place in the world. ‘It is time to put North America at the forefront of U.S. policy,’ the report says. ‘The development and implementation of a strategy for U.S. economic, energy, security, environmental, and societal cooperation with its two neighbors can strengthen the United States at home and enhance its influence abroad.’ Chaired by David H. Petraeus, retired U.S. Army general and chairman of the KKR Global Institute, and Robert B. Zoellick, former president of the World Bank Group and chairman of Goldman Sachs's International Advisors, the Task Force is composed of a diverse and distinguished group of experts that includes former government officials, scholars, and others. The project is directed by CFR Senior Fellow for Latin America Studies Shannon K. O'Neil.” (“Task Force Report,” [Council On Foreign Relations](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

- **This Task Force Published A Written Report.** “A new CFR-sponsored Independent Task Force report, North America: Time for a New Focus, asserts that elevating and prioritizing the U.S.-Canada-Mexico relationship offers the best opportunity for strengthening the United States and its place in the world.” (“Task Force Report,” [Council On Foreign Relations](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

**The Report Advocated For An Expansion Of TTIP And The Free Movement Of Goods Throughout North America.** “Bolstering economic competitiveness through the freer movement of goods and services across borders. Upgrading infrastructure and policies across borders would interconnect national economies securely and efficiently. Recognizing trilateral economic interests, the United States should also include Canada and Mexico in its negotiations for the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) and other free trade agreements. ‘The United States' ability to compete in a dynamic and competitive world economy would be strengthened by enhanced economic ties with Canada and Mexico,’ the report explains. ‘The Task Force recommends working toward the free and unimpeded movement of goods and services across North America's common borders.’” (“Task Force Report,” [Council On Foreign Relations](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***Petraeus Supports Expanding Energy Resources And New Types Of Energy Production***

**Petraeus Is Said To Be Particularly Interested In Investing In Energy.** “‘He’s tried to get into the economics or investment dimension,’ said Robert Zoellick, the former World Bank president, who is co-chairman of a task force on North America with Mr. Petraeus for the Council on Foreign Relations. ‘He’s had a particular interest in energy, and KKR has an interest in energy.’” (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, “After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#), 2/27/15)

**Petraeus Supports New Energy Technologies Like Fracking, Which He Believes Gives The U.S. A Competitive Edge.** “Mr. Petraeus argues that new technologies like fracking give the United States, Canada and Mexico a competitive edge.” (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, “After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#), 2/27/15)

**Petraeus Is “Bullish On Mexico” As The Country Ends Its State-Run Monopoly On Oil Production.** “He is bullish on Mexico, which is ending its state-run monopoly on oil production, and made four trips there in 2014.” (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, “After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#), 2/27/15)

**Petraeus Supports The Keystone XL Pipeline.** “7) Encourage the continued development of domestic and North American energy sources and the integration of the North American energy market. Approve the Keystone XL pipeline to carry oil extracted from Canadian tar sands to refineries and other production facilities in the United States and lift the ban on American exports of oil.” (David Petraeus And Paras Bhayani, “An Agenda Of Prosperity For America,” [CNN](#), 6/25/15)

## ***Petraeus Is In Favor Of Immigration Reform That Grants Amnesty***

**In June 2015 Petraeus Wrote An Article That Advocated To “Pass Comprehensive Immigration Reform To Dramatically Expand The Quantity Of H1B Visas.”** “2) Pass comprehensive immigration reform to dramatically expand the quantity of H1B visas, particularly for foreign technical graduates of American universities; implement a point system in which those with advanced degrees and the ability to contribute to the economy are given a higher score and a faster path to entry; and create a path to permanent residency and citizenship for low-skilled workers.” (David Petraeus And Paras Bhayani, “An Agenda Of Prosperity For America,” [CNN](#) 6/25/15)

**A Council On Foreign Relations Report That Petraeus Co-Chaired Called For Comprehensive Immigration Reform.** “Fostering a North American community through comprehensive immigration reform, workforce development, and the creation of a mobility accord to facilitate the movement of workers. The U.S. Congress should pass comprehensive immigration reforms. To better aid the movement of North American workers, the three countries should also create a North American Mobility Accord, expand visas for skilled workers, streamline recognition of professional credentials, and develop a regional educational innovation strategy. ‘The Task Force strongly recommends the passage of comprehensive federal immigration reform that secures U.S. borders, prevents illegal entry, provides visas on the basis of economic need, invites talented and skilled people to settle in the United States, and offers a pathway to legalization for undocumented immigrants now in the United States,’ the report says.” (“Task Force Report,” [Council On Foreign Relations](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

**Regarding Immigration, Petraeus Said “We Have Welcomed Immigrants From Around The World” And That The Way Forward Is Not “By Being Exclusive, Or By Hate Speech... I Think You Do That By Pulling Together.”** “‘We have been an inclusive society,’ Petraeus said. ‘We have welcomed immigrants from around the world. Certainly, you should do the background checks. Certainly, you should safeguard against individuals who wish us ill will. And also, by the way, safeguard against the extremist thinking that has been behind some of these attacks, it’s quite apparent. But we don’t do that by being exclusive, or by hate speech or other types of responses. I think you do that by pulling together.’” (Dan Lamothe, “Gen. David Petraeus Steps Out Of The Shadows With Public Appearance At D.C. Summit,” [The Washington Post](#), 6/13/16)

## ***Petraeus Supports TPP And The Export-Import Bank***

**Petraeus Asserted That He Was “Very Very Supportive” Of TPP And Called It An Economic And National Security “Imperative.”** PETRAEUS: “I was in Asia last week, we were in India and Singapore. In Singapore there is a lot of discussion needless to say about the Trans Pacific Partnership, this trade agreement that we’re working on with a number of other countries put there including Singapore. To facilitate that the U.S. has to have trade promotion authority.” ANCHOR: “So you’re in support of that, to be clear.” PETRAEUS: “Very very supportive of it, yeah. For reasons by the way, there’s the economic argument for it but probably even more important than that is actually the national security, the diplomatic I guess the geopolitical argument for it and it can be captured by the Singaporean foreign minister told me when he was asking about this. He said ‘you what, if you can’t get trade promotion authority and therefore the trans pacific partnership America’s finished out here. This is a national security imperative not just an economic one.’” (“Petraeus on Politics And Free Trade | Wall Street Week | Episode 9,” [Youtube](#), 6/16/15)

**Petraeus Called An End To The Export-Import Bank “Economic Unilateral Disarmament.”** PETRAEUS: “One other, the export import bank runs out of money...its out of its authorization at the end of the month.” ANCHOR: “for our viewers benefit could you give a brief explanation of what the ExIm bank does? PETRAEUS: “Yeah. The export import bank essentially loans money generally to small businesses that are trying to compete overseas. Every other country in the world has one of these...and there’s a fight to end it’s funding. It’s seen by some as big government or something like that. Now this particular element of big government has actually made money in recent years. But to let it lapse again

would be a sign that the US just isn't serious about this stuff. This would be sort of economic unilateral disarmament." ("Petraeus on Politics And Free Trade | Wall Street Week | Episode 9," [Youtube](#) 6/16/15)

### ***Petraeus Is In Favor Of More Stringent Educational Standards At The State Level***

**Petraeus Advocated To "Reform Public Education... By Encouraging State Policymakers To Adopt Rigorous Educational Standards."** "1) Reform public education to ensure the United States continues to develop the best human capital by encouraging state policymakers to adopt rigorous educational standards, particularly for math, science and reading." (David Petraeus And Paras Bhayani, "An Agenda Of Prosperity For America," [CNN](#), 6/25/15)

### ***Petraeus Identified Social Security And Medicare As The "Two Largest Drivers Of Spending" And Suggested They Be Addressed***

**Petraeus Identified Social Security And Medicare As The "Two Largest Drivers Of Spending" And Suggested They Be Addressed.** "4) Tackle the two largest drivers of spending -- Social Security and Medicare -- and replace the blunt cuts in the 'sequester' with targeted cuts to carefully chosen defense and nondefense programs to reduce the long-term debt-to-GDP ratio from 74% to 72% by 2024." (David Petraeus And Paras Bhayani, "An Agenda Of Prosperity For America," [CNN](#), 6/25/15)

## **AFFILIATIONS**

### ***Post-CIA Career And Paid Speeches***

**Financier Henry Kravis Created A Think Tank For Petraeus To Run, And Later Made Him A Partner Of KKR.** "Those days, apparently, are over. Not long into this exile of sorts, the financier Henry Kravis created a think tank for Petraeus to run. Two years later, he made Petraeus a partner of his firm, Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts, widely known as KKR." (Fred Kaplan, "The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus," [Slate](#) 6/21/16)

**Petraeus' Speaking Engagements Have Resulted In Him Making "More In One Speech Than He'd Earned All Year As A Wartime Four-Star General."** "By then, Petraeus had started speaking a bit in public forums, sometimes making (as he told one friend in a tone of disbelief) more in one speech than he'd earned all year as a wartime four-star general." (Fred Kaplan, "The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus," [Slate](#) 6/21/16)

**Petraeus Dodged On Answering Questions Citing His Commitments And Other 'Complications' As His Reason For Not Answering.** "During the Q&A period, I asked him whether he'd be willing to take a more activist stance on this issue, writing articles, testifying before Congress, appearing on TV commercials, campaigning for political candidates. He said he wasn't sure. He cited his many other commitments: his position at KKR, his board memberships, teaching positions, speaking gigs, occasional pro bono work the list went on for nearly a minute even citing 'complications,' such as interpretations of the Second Amendment, with which he said he'd need to become more familiar." (Fred Kaplan, "The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus," [Slate](#) 6/21/16)

- **Petraeus' Reluctance To Answer Questions May Stem From "Corporate Conflicts With KKR, The Natural Tendency Of Modern Military Officers To Stay Away From Political Controversy, Or Maybe His Own Shrewd Tendency To Keep All Options Open."** "In short, to cite the title of Paula Broadwell's biography that got him into so much trouble, Petraeus is not yet quite willing to go All In when it comes to partisan political activism. His reluctance may have many sources: corporate conflicts with KKR, the natural tendency of modern military officers to stay away from political controversy, or maybe his own shrewd tendency to keep all options open." (Fred Kaplan, "The Rehabilitation Of David Petraeus," [Slate](#), 6/21/16)

### ***Petraeus Has Used His Relationships He Built As CIA Director To Make Money For Global Investment Firm KKR's Clients***

**Petraeus Is The Chairman Of The KKR Global Institute.** “General (Ret) David H. Petraeus (New York) joined KKR in June 2013 and is Chairman of the KKR Global Institute.” ([KKR](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

**The Global Institute Was Established To “Study Macroeconomic Trends And Government Policies To Assess Their Implications On The Firm’s Investments.”** “KKR & Co. hired David Petraeus, the former director of the Central Intelligence Agency, to run a new unit for public policy, economic research and emerging-market due diligence at the private-equity firm. KKR, led by billionaires Henry Kravis and George Roberts, will create an internal institute to study macroeconomic trends and government policies to assess their implications on the firm’s investments, the New York-based firm said today in a statement.” (Devin Banerjee, “KKR Hires Ex CIA Chief Petraeus To Lead Firm s New Unit,” [Bloomberg](#) 5/30/13)

- **“But Private Equity Experts Said His Real Value Was His Rolodex.”** (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, “After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#), 2/27/15)

**“If Petraeus Helps Henry Find A Way To \$100 Million In Investments In Kazakhstan Or Elsewhere, It’s A Good Deal For Both Of Them.”** “‘Petraeus is kind of a door-opener,’ said one friend of Mr. Kravis, who insisted on anonymity to discuss private business matters. ‘If Petraeus helps Henry find a way to \$100 million in investments in Kazakhstan or elsewhere, it’s a good deal for both of them.’” (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, “After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#) 2/27/15)

**Daily Mail Headline: “Disgraced General David Petraeus Is Now Being Rolled Out By Private Equity Firm In A Bid To Impress Potential New Clients”** (“Disgraced General David Petraeus IS Now Being Rolled Out By Private Equity Firm In A Bid To Impress Potential New Clients,” [Daily Mail](#) 5/27/15)

**Bloomberg Headline: “KKR Rolls Out Petraeus In \$4 Trillion Hunt For Family Wealth”** (Margaret Collins and Jason Kelly, “KKR Rolls Out Petraeus In \$4 Trillion Hunt For Family Wealth,” [Bloomberg](#), 5/26/15)

**As Part Of His Role At KKR, Petraeus Has Visited Middle Eastern Countries To Court Their Business Elite.** “Today, General Petraeus is Citizen Petraeus, a new partner in KKR & Company, a New York private equity firm. Last month he was back in Kazakhstan, this time courting the business elite at Nazarbayev University, founded by the Kazakh leader.” (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, “After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#) 2/27/15)

**Petraeus Said His Role At KKR Is “Like Being Director Of The C.I.A. For A Global Financial Firm, With A Lot Smaller Staff.”** “Mr. Petraeus, who declined to be interviewed, turned up in June at the Aspen Ideas Festival, where he told CBS’s Bob Schieffer that his KKR job was ‘like being director of the C.I.A. for a global financial firm, with a lot smaller staff.’” (Sheryl Gay Stolberg, “After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, But Not Out Of The Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#) 2/27/15)

**As An Advisor To KKR, Petraeus Sees “Big Data” As A Strong Opportunity.** “Petraeus’s experience analyzing geopolitical flashpoints has shaped his perspective on investing. It’s the driving force behind his belief in Big Data. Best demonstrated by Watson -- the IBM computer that beat Jeopardy’s best players -- Big Data uses powerful technology to detect patterns and trends where humans may see none. ‘Today’s world is, of course, increasingly flooded with data. And, in my experience, companies that can make sense of highly complex and highly fragmented data can generate considerable value,’ Petraeus said.” (Matt Egan, “Petraeus From America s General To Wall Street Exec,” [CNN](#) 10/10/15)

## **KKR Clients**

**KKR’s Clients Include “A Host Of Chinese Firms” Such As Rundong Automobile Group And Asia Dairy.** “KKR’s portfolio boasts a bit of everything, from Alliant Insurance Services and Panasonic Healthcare to a host of Chinese firms (Rundong Automobile Group and Asia Dairy, among them).” (Nick Turse, “The Charmed Life Of David Petraeus,” [The Huffington Post](#), 7/5/16)

- **According To Its Website KKR Has 14 Firms In Its Portfolio That Are Headquartered In China (Asia Dairy, CITIC Envirotech Ltd, COFCO Meat, China International Capital Corporation Limited, China Outfitters Holdings Limited, Emerald Media, Novo Holdco Limited, Qingdao Haier, Rundong Automobile Group, Sunner Development, Uxin, VATS**

**Liquor Chain Store Management Co Ltd, Vanke Wuhan Optics Valley, And Yuehai Feed Group Co. Ltd.)** (“KKR Portfolio,” [KKR](#) Accessed 11/28/16)

**KKR’s Clients Also Include Defense Firms Like TASC And Airbus Group’s Defense Electronics Business.** “There are also defense firms under its umbrella, including TASC, the self-proclaimed ‘premier provider of advanced systems engineering and integration services across the Intelligence Community, Department of Defense, and civilian agencies of the federal government,’ and Airbus Group’s defense electronics business which KKR recently bought for \$1.2 billion.” (Nick Turse, “The Charmed Life Of David Petraeus,” [The Huffington Post](#) 7/5/16)

***Petraeus Cofounded ‘Veterans For Common Sense’ Which Advocates For Gun Control And Is Affiliated With ‘Americans For Responsible Solutions’***

**Veterans Coalition For Common Sense Was Cofounded By General Petraeus And Is A Subsidiary Organization Of Former Congresswoman Gabrielle Gifford’s’ Americans For Responsible Solutions, “Which Campaigns For More Widespread Background Checks And Other Common-Sense Gun Laws.”** “Kelly and Giffords started Americans for Responsible Solutions, which campaigns for more widespread background checks and other common-sense gun laws. Two days before the Orlando attack, they announced a new group supporting their effort, Veterans Coalition for Common Sense, which includes heavy hitters such as retired Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen, Army Gen. David Petraeus and Army Gen. Stanley McChrystal, among others.” (Tim Steller, “Mass Shooting Survivors Become Potent Faction,” [Arizona Daily Star](#) 6/15/16)

- **Americans For Responsible Solutions Advocates For Expanding The Federal Background Check System.** “The federal background check system is an effective mechanism that prevents prohibited purchasers, such as convicted felons, the dangerously mentally ill and domestic abusers from accessing guns. Yet glaring loopholes in our laws allow prohibited individuals to access firearms through unlicensed dealers, or “private sellers.” By closing these loopholes and requiring background checks at gun shows and online, we can ensure that guns stay out of the hands of those prohibited by federal law.” ([Americans For Responsible Solutions](#) Accessed 11/27/16)
- **Americans For Responsible Solutions Advocates For “Strengthening The National Instant Criminal Background Check System.”** “Since its creation in 1998, the National Instant Criminal Background System (NICS) has blocked the sale of firearms to over 2 million prohibited purchasers. While states have done a significantly better job submitting records to NICS in recent years, more must be done to incentivize and support states in their work to improve their records reporting laws and systems. 11 states and the District of Columbia still have no reporting requirements laws, while 12 states have reported fewer than 100 records to NICS. Congress must continue to work to ensure that all records of prohibited purchasers are submitted to the background check system.” ([Americans For Responsible Solutions](#) Accessed 11/27/16)
- **Americans For Responsible Solutions Advocates For “[Investing] In Dedicated Funding for Research About The Causes & Impact of Gun Violence.”** “In 1996, believe it or not, Congress banned federal research into the causes and effects of gun violence. While the Administration cleared the way for public health research about gun violence to take place, Congress refuses to seriously invest in research to understand the connection between gun violence and public health. Congress should allocate dedicated funding to firearms injury prevention research at the Centers for Disease Control.” ([Americans For Responsible Solutions](#), Accessed 11/27/16)
- **Former General Chrystal, Another Cofounder Of Veterans Coalition For Common Sense, Wrote An Opinion Piece In The New York Times Calling On Veterans To “To Add Your Voice To This Growing Call For Change” In Order To Pass New Gun Control Measures.** “As this national crisis continues to rage, I ask my fellow veterans patriots who have worn the uniform, who took an oath to protect our Constitution and the Second Amendment, who served this great country to add your voice to this growing call for change. America needs you. In my life as a

soldier and citizen, I have seen time and time again that inaction has dire consequences. In this case, one consequence of our leaders' inaction is that felons, domestic abusers and suspected terrorists have easy access to firearms." (Stanley McChrystal, "Home Should Not Be a War Zone," [The New York Times](#), 6/16/16)

### ***Arthur F. Burns Fellowship***

**Petraeus Is A Trustee At The Arthur F. Burns Fellowship.** ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***Panthera Conservation Council***

**Petraeus Is A Member Of The Panthera Conservation Council.** ([LinkedIn](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***Fort Campbell Historical Foundation***

**Petraeus Is A Member Of The Fort Campbell Historical Foundation Board Of Directors.** ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***The Alexander Hamilton Society***

**Petraeus Is A Member Of The Board Of Advisors For The Alexander Hamilton Society.** ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***National Council On U.S.-Arab Relations***

**Petraeus Is A Member Of The Board Of Advisors For The National Council On U.S.-Arab Relations.** ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

**The National Council On U.S.-Arab Relations Has Offered "Travel Grants" And Conducted "Programs To Enhance The Image Of Arab Countries."** "The city received the offer from the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, a nonprofit foundation created in May 1983 that offers travel grants and conducts programs to enhance the image of Arab countries." (Eric Pianin, "Arabs Offer To Send Youths To Middle East," *The Washington Post*, 11/30/84)

**National Council On U.S.-Arab Relations President John Duke Anthony Was A Strong Opponent Of JASTA, That Would Allow The Families Of Victims Of 9/11 To Sue The Saudi Government.** "John Duke Anthony, founding president and CEO of the National Council on US-Arab Relations (NCUSAR), told Arab News in an exclusive interview on Wednesday that he doesn't think the US Congress has the vote to override President Obama's expected veto against the congressional resolution that allows the families of the victims of Sept. 11 attacks to sue the Saudi government 'I do not think so, because the better argument will prevail and if necessary, the president and the secretary of state would have to go on national television in order to explain how dangerous this will be if Congress does that,' he said." (Aziz Fahmy, "Arab News Exclusive Congress 'Not Likely To Override Veto On 9/11 Bill,'" [Arab News](#), 9/22/16)

**Speaking About JASTA Passing Congress, Council President John Duke Anthony Said "Israel And Its Allies In Washington" Try To Block Any Good News About Saudi Arabia.** "He said Israel and its allies in Washington have been, for the last 60 years, trying to block any good news about Saudi Arabia and trying to disseminate only negative information about the Kingdom." (Aziz Fahmy, "Arab News Exclusive Congress 'Not Likely To Override Veto On 9/11 Bill,'" [Arab News](#), 9/22/16)

**The Council Recently Awarded Saudi Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Bin Abdulaziz With Its Global Philanthropic and Humanitarian Achievements Award.** "HRH Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Bin Abdulaziz, Chairman of Alwaleed Philanthropies (AP), was honored with the first-ever Global Philanthropic and Humanitarian Achievements Award by the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations (National Council) on May 8, 2016 at the Plaza Hotel in New York City." ("National Council On U.S. Arab Relations Presents Its First Ever Global Philanthropic & Humanitarian Achievements To Prince Alwaleed," [Al Waleed Philanthropies](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***Harvard University***

**David Petraeus Works On A Project On North America At Harvard.** (Sheryl Stolberg, After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, but Not Out of the Spotlight," [New York Times](#), 2/27/15)

## ***University Of New York***

**David Petraeus Is A Visiting Professor At The University Of New York “Where He Teaches A Seminar On North America.”** “On Thursday he spoke at Trinity College in Dublin, where an antiwar protester who confronted him was taken away by the police. Mr. Petraeus is affiliated with three universities: Harvard, where he goes roughly once a month for a project on North America, earning \$1,000 each day he is there; U.S.C.; and the City University of New York, where he teaches a seminar on North America to students at the Macaulay Honors College, for a salary of \$40,000 a year, said Ann Kirschner, the college dean. It is a raise from \$1 a year, which Mr. Petraeus agreed to accept in 2013 when plans for a \$200,000 salary financed by a donor caused outrage among the Macaulay faculty.” (Sheryl Stolberg, After Scandal, Petraeus Stays Under Radar, but Not Out of the Spotlight,” [The New York Times](#), 2/27/15)

## ***Royal United Services Institute***

**David Petraeus Is A Senior Vice President Of The Royal United Services Institute, A Foreign Policy Think Tank.** ([Royal United Services Institute](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***Council On Foreign Relations***

**David Petraeus Is The Chair Of The CFR-Sponsored Independent Task Force, “North America: Time For A New Focus.”** ([Council On Foreign Relations](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***Washington Speakers Bureau***

**David Petraeus Is A Paid Speaker For The Washington Speakers Bureau.** ([The Washington Speakers Bureau](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***Ducere Global Business School***

**David Petraeus Is A Member Of The Faculty Of Ducere Global Business School.** ([Ducere](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***American Corporate Partners***

**David Petraeus Is An Advisor To American Corporate Partners In Service Of Which He Made A Public Service Announcement Regarding The ACP AdvisorNet Service.** “In the PSA, Petraeus explains, ‘More than 2 million men and women have served in our military since 9/11. I was privileged to serve with hundreds of thousands of them, and now many are returning to civilian life. They’re evaluating career options, beginning new jobs and starting businesses. ACP AdvisorNet can help....now we can serve those who have served us by helping them find their next career.’” ([American Corporate Partners](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***Team Rubicon***

**David Petraeus Is On The Board Of Advisors For Team Rubicon, An Organization That “Unites The Skills And Experiences Of Military Veterans With First Responders To Rapidly Deploy Emergency Response Teams.”** ([Team Rubicon](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***The Institute For The Study Of War***

**General Petraeus Is A Member Of And On The Board Of Advisors For The Institute For The Study Of War, A Foreign Policy Think Tank.** ([The Institute For The Study Of War](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

## ***Grant Monument Association***

**David Petraeus Is An Honorary Trustee Of The Grant Monument Association, A Group Dedicated To The Preservation Of Monuments Associated With Ulysses Grant.** ([LinkedIn](#) & [Grant's Tomb](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***The OSS Society***

**David Petraeus Is An Honorary Chairman Of The OSS Society, An Organization Dedicated To Remembering The Precursor Organization To The CIA.** ([The OSS Society](#) 11/27/16)

### ***The Ivy Club***

**David Petraeus Is An Honorary Fellow Of The Ivy Club, Which Involved Him Giving A Speech “To Provoke Discussion About The Personal Qualities That Create Great Leaders, And The Moral Challenges They Face.”** “Each year the Club invites 3-4 speakers to share their leadership experiences with the membership. Presenters have included South African President Jacob Zuma, His Royal Highness Prince Turki al Faisal of Saudi Arabia, former CIA Director David Petraeus, former New Jersey Governor Christie Whitman, Dr. Dennis Ausiello, chief of Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital and Norman Augustine, retired Chairman and CEO of Lockheed Martin Corporation. The goal of this program is to provoke discussion about the personal qualities that create great leaders, and the moral challenges they face.” ([The Ivy Club](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***Woodrow Wilson International Center For Scholars***

**David Petraeus Serves On The Global Advisory Board For The Woodrow Wilson International Center.** (Nick Turse, “The Charmed Second Act of David Petraeus,” [Mother Jones](#), 7/17/16)

### ***Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA)***

**David Petraeus Is On The Board Of Directors Of Iraq And Afghanistan Veterans Of America.** ([IAVA](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***Concordia Summit***

**David Petraeus Is A Member Of The Concordia Summit's Concordia Leadership Council.** (Nick Turse, “The Charmed Second Act of David Petraeus,” [Mother Jones](#) 7/17/16)

### ***US Global Leadership Coalition***

**David Petraeus Is A Member Of The US Global Leadership Coalition For Which He Has Given A Large Number Of Public Statements On In Favor Of Expanding The Role Of State Department And Increasing The Foreign Affairs Budget.** “Development and diplomacy keep us safer by addressing threats in the most dangerous corners of the world and by preventing conflicts before they occur. ... We urge you to support a strong and effective International Affairs Budget. Our nation’s security depends upon it.” ([USGLC](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***University Of Southern California***

**David Petraeus Was The Faculty Advisor For The University Of Southern California Veterans Association.** ([USCVA](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

**Petraeus Is Also The Judge Widney Professor At The University Of Southern California.** ([USGLC](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***The McCain Institute For International Leadership***

**David Petraeus Is A Member Of The Board Of Trustees For The McCain Institute For International Leadership, “A Non-Partisan Do-Tank Dedicated To Advancing Character-Driven Global Leadership Based On Security, Economic Opportunity, Freedom And Human Dignity.”** ([The McCain Institute](#) Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***The Warrior-Scholar Project***

**David Petraeus Is On The Board of Academic Advisors To The Warrior-Scholar Project, An Organization Focused On Helping Veterans Acquire A College Education.** ([The Warrior Scholar Project](#), Accessed 11/27/16)

### ***The Atlantic Council***

**David Petraeus Is A Member Of The Board Of Directors For The Atlantic Council, An Organization That Promotes Constructive Leadership And Engagement In International Affairs Based On The Atlantic Community's Central Role In Meeting Global Challenges.** ([The Atlantic Council](#), Accessed 11/27/16)